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SUMMARY.

1. DAILY NEWS OF APRIL 7 REPORTS ARRIVAL PREVIOUS DAY IN
DAR ES SALAAM OF ROBERT MUGABE, PATRIOTIC FRONT CO-LEADER.
AT ARRIVAL PRESS CONFERENCE MUGABE SAID PATRIOTIC FRONT LEADERS
WOULD MEET IN DAR ES SALAAM NEXT WEEK TO REVIEW PROGRESS IN
MERGING ZANU AND ZAPU FORCES, BRIEF PRESIDENT NYERERE, AND MEET
BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY OWEN. MUGABE, HOWEVER, BELIEVED OWEN
"HAS NOTHING NEW TO OFFER." END SUMMARY.
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PATRIOTIC FRONT LEADERS WILL MEET IN DAR ES SALAAM NEXT WEEK TO
REVIEW PROGRESS MADE IN MERGING THE FORCES OF THE ZIMBABWE
AFRICAN NATIONAL UNION (ZANU) AND THE ZIMBABWE AFRICAN PEOPLE'S
UNION (ZAPU).

PATRIOTIC FRONT CO-LEADER AND SECRETARY-GENERAL OF ZANU, NDUGU
ROBERT MUGABE, SAID THIS ON ARRIVAL IN DAR ES SALAAM FROM MAPUTO

YESTERDAY.

NDUGU MUGABE TOLD AN AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE THAT HE WOULD ALSO BRIEF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE FRONTLINE STATES, MWALUMU NYERERE, ON THE ZIMBABWE ARMED STRUGGLE.

THE PATRIOTIC FRONT LEADERS WILL MEET BRITISH FOREIGN SECRETARY DR. DAVID OWEN IN DAR ES SALAAM BUT NDUGU MUGABE SAID HE BELEIVED MR. OWEN "HAS NOTHING NEW TO OFFER"

NDUGU MUGABE SAID THE PROBLEM WITH THE BRITISH PROPOSALS WAS THAT THEY FAVOURED IAN SMITH WHO THE NATIONALISTS HAVE REFUSED TO NEGOTIATE WITH.

HE SAID DR. OWEN'S TOUR OF SOUTHERN AFRICA WAS "AN EXTENSION OF THE KISSINGER SHUTTLE DIPLOMACY."

THE PATRIOTIC FRONT HAS NOT BEEN INFORMED WHETHER THE BRITISH HAVE ANY NEW PROPOSAL AIMED AT SOLVING THE RHODESIAN PROBLEM, NDUGU MUGABE SAID.

NDUGU MUGABE DECLARED THAT THE ARMED STRUGGLE WOULD CONTINUE EVEN IF THERE WOULD BE A RETURN TO THE CONFERENCE TABEL.

HE SAID THAT THE BRITISH "MUST NEGOTIATE WITH THE TRUE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ZIMBABWEAN PEOPLE. WE SHALL NEVER NEGOTIATE WITH IAN SMITH. IAN SMITH HAS TO BE PART OF THE BRITISH DELEGATION."

NDUGU MUGABE IS ACCOMPANIED BY A MEMBER OF THE ZANU CENTRAL
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COMMITTEE, NDUGU JOSHUA TONGOGORA, A XEMBER OF THE ZANU MILITARY HIGH COMMAND NDUGU ERNEST KADUNGWE, AND THE ZIPA CHIEF REPRESENTATIVE IN EAST AFRICA, NDUGU ACKIM MUDENDE. END TEXT.
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